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Evergreen

Evergreen, July 27.- Mrs. J. C. Staples spent last Thursday in Lynchburg with her daughter and family, Mrs. Sam White.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Paulette spent the week-end in Lynchburg with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Ferguson.

Mrs. Ryland Staples and daughter visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Paulette last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gibson and two sons and Miss Lindy Warriner spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner. Lindy remained with her parents for a week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Childers, of Vera, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. LeFew, of Lynchburg, all spent last Sunday with A. B. Ferguson and family.

The Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Collins and son, and Rev. and Mrs. C. G. Carter were supper guests Monday night of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner.

Mrs. Mary Sullivan, of Lynchburg, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Figgins, also of Lynchburg called to see Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover during the week-end.

The revival is going on here at the Baptist Church. The Rev. C. A. Collins, Jr. is preaching.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Almond and children, of Appomattox, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Harvey. Also Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Collins, Jr. and son, and the Rev. and Mrs. C. G. Carter.

Howard Glover is spending his vacation here with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Blackwell spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Green Garrette.

Mrs. J. R. Conner, who has been ill, was able to visit some in Lynchburg Sunday.

The community was sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Courtney Baldwin.

Miss Phyllis LeGrand, who has been in Richmond, is spending this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. LeGrand.

Hixburg

Hixburg, July 27.- All of the neighborhood is delighted with Mr. Jack Marshall's progress. He was well enough for the nurse to leave last Saturday.

Mrs. Charlie Carson and son, of Prospect have been at the home of Jack Marshall for several weeks.

Harry E. Gilliam, of Lynchburg, visited in the home of Jack Marshall Saturday.

Mrs. Henry Wheeler, of Crewe is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Gilliam.

Mr. and Mrs. Brockwell, of Newport News are visiting Mr. Willie Swan, her father.

Mrs. Ed McPhillips was the guest of her sister in Richmond over the week-end.

Mrs. McClintic, of Missouri, Mrs. Alfred Harwood and Miss Alice Harwood, of Appomattox, and Percy Sears called at the home of Miss Maggie Hix last week.

The drought continues. Three light showers last week did not do much good for the parching crops.

We are glad to see that some of the road between Pamplin and Hixburg has been improved. Our hope is that the good work will soon extend through Hixburg, so that the yards will be usable again. As it is now, clouds of red dust hover over them when numerous cars dash by on their way to Holliday Lake.

Rev. John S. Moore delivered a thought provoking sermon on the subject of conscience at Mathews Baptist Church Sunday evening.

20,000 Sheep Cut Grass for U. S. Navy

HASTINGS, NEB.—Top-secret territory at one of the largest ammunition depots in this country is invaded daily by 20,000 noisy little lawnmowers that wander over 30,000 acres near here.

These nonchalant grass-cutters are sheep — approximately 15,000 bawling ewes and 5,000 of their frolicking offspring. Priority to roam the range was issued to the animals to reduce the danger of grass fires near navy explosives.

"Grass fires on these windswept Nebraska plains could be catastrophic, and so far, the sheep are doing a good job of keeping the prairie growth cut," said L. M. Hale, former navy lieutenant who is now design and contract superintendent in the depot's public works department.

"We've never had a fire get away from us," commented one employee, "but we have fought as many as 300 a day along the Union Pacific railroad bordering the plant area."

The grazing has grossed about $10,000 for the navy. The profit is deposited in the United States treasury and later channeled to the navy's allotments.

Noel Cover of Cozad, Neb., the owner, grazes sheep and cattle in 14 states. Indiana and their squaws are the sheep herders.

Biggest hazard to sheep here are dog packs, considered worse than coyotes. About 150 sheep have been killed by dogs. A government trapper is now using cyanide guns against the marauders.

In one winter 600 bales of alfalfa and 60 sacks of corn pellets were consumed each day by the hungry flocks.

Cat Walks 420 Miles Only To Find Its Master Gone

LEOMINSTER, MASS.—Fluffy, a one-year-old Angora cat, arrived home after apparently walking 420 miles from Buffalo, N. Y., only to find her master gone.

Ben Hagaberry sold his house here and set out by trailer with his family for Moses Lake, Wash.

Fluffy went sight-seeing during a one-night stopover in Buffalo. When she didn't return the next day, the Hansberrys went on their way.

The cat was weak when she reached here; her fine fur coat matted, her claws worn to the pad.

Neighbors took her to an animal hospital, where she is reported making a good recovery. She will be flown to the Hansberrys later.

Rose Bush Owner Frightens Thief With Homemade Alarm

PHILADELPHIA. — A rose is a rose and by any other name would smell as sweet.

But this is a story about a rose that not only smelled sweet but sounded pretty.

Walter Hoff awoke one day to find three of the large and expensive rose bushes missing.

When he regained his composure he chained wires to the roots of six remaining bushes and attached the wires to a basement switch. A tug of the bush would ring a bell.

For six nights Hoff slept undisturbed.

Then early one morning the rose bell rang.

Up jumped Hoff, up went his window and away ran the thief, spade in hand.

Colombia Workers Now Have No Excuse to Go Barefoot

BOGOTA, COLOMBIA. — The government acted to force shoes on barefoot workers.

It decreed that employers must give a free pair of shoes every six months to permanent workers getting less than 80 pesos ($46.40) a month.

The decree does not permit the employer to give money instead of shoes. Workers forfeit their rights to the next pair if they do not personally use the shoes.

The law permitted several official credit and supply agencies to establish a chain of shoe factories to furnish the shoes at cost. Fines of 50 to 1,000 pesos ($29 to $580) were fixed for employees failing to wear the shoes.

Thirteen miners injured in blast in Indiana.

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Firemen on Vacation Fight For Lives in Blazing Boat

TWIN FALLS, IDAHO. — Four Twin Falls firemen drew on their professional ability to put out a fire—in the middle of a lake.

The four, Kenneth Young, Bob Miller, Bill Pettigrew and Leonard Ross, were on a fishing trip on Island park reservoir in a new boat when a storm suddenly swept the waters.

The craft's fuel supply was exhausted in battling the waves so the gas tank was refilled. Inadvertently the can was left off a gas can and about two gallons of the inflammable liquid spilled out, flowing under the floorboards.

An open carbide lamp set off the blaze.

Miller and Young were singed in a successful battle to quell the fire with wet burlap sacks. But the fire laddies' troubles were far from over.

During the scramble water got into the boat's motor and it stopped. The oars were washed away, the gas can was fettioned and the carbide lamp went overboard.

The firemen drifted in the helpless craft for several hours.

Finally the boat was washed ashore — three miles from their planned destination.

Allies may take Berlin blockade to United Nations.

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FATHER DARKLEAF

By The Editor

Let's talk about New York! We are back from five days of sight-seeing in America's "Big Town."

And we town it is. Over eight million people crowded into an area less than that of our county.

New York has over 2,800 churches with over 6 million members, church property valued at $200,000,000.

America's greatest church property is the Cathedral of St. John the Divine at Amsterdam and 110th St., with a seating capicity of 5,000 and standing room for twice that number. New York church members include: 1,733,954 Roman Catholics, 1,765,000 Jews and 800,000 Protestants.

In the fall of 1524, Gionanni de Verrazano returned from his voyage and reported discovery of what is New York Bay to his employer, Francis I, of France.

Estavao Gomed, of Portugal, sailed up the river later named after Henry Hudson. Hudson called the land "Manna-hata" (Manhatan) "the handsomest and most pleasant country man can behold." That was 1609. The real settlement of New York began in 1620. In 1898 Bronck purchased the land now known as The Bronx. In 1646, the town of Breuckelen, (now Brooklyn) was established. By 1664 the population was 6,000, and a newspaper was published there. The first fire department was in 1731. The English had taken over in 1658, changing the name from Amsterdam to New York in honor of James, Duke of York. In 1689, George Washington was sworn in as President of the United States, in Wall Hall, New York. Greater New York City was established in 1898.

Brooklyn has the largest population of the five boroughs. The assessed value of taxable city real estate in 1947 was $16,011,224,056. It is a good deal more than that of Philadelphia, Detroit, Cleveland, St. Louis and Boston combined. The city government governing the city for the fiscal year July 1, 1945 to June 30, 1946, was $763,213,014.82.

The personnel of the police department is 20,171; fire department education department 38,- sanitation, health and hospital departments 43,442.

There are 33,385 manufacturing establishments in the city, and the value of their products $6,948,444,-

The 1939 census showed 115,219 retail stores. There were 47,955 food stores, 12,630 apparel shops, eating places, 3,806 drug stores, 4,215 general stores, 1,008 drug stores.

What's biggest store: Macy's and last year it averaged a million dollars each day it was open!

Home Agent's Schedule For Next Week

Home Demonstration Agent's schedule week of August 9, 14:

The Home Demonstration Clubs holding recreational meetings and picnics during the month of August. All members and their friends and friends are invited. Members will bring basket lunch for picnics.

Wednesday, August 11.-The Oakgrove Home Demonstration Club will meet at Holliday Lake at 6:00 P. M. for a picnic.

Thursday, August 12.- Stonewall and Wreck Island Home Demonstration Clubs will meet at Alvis' at 5:30 P. M. for a picnic. Mrs. J. P. Alvis, Sr., and Mrs. J. Alvis, Jr. are co-hostesses.

Friday, August 13.- The Spout Spring Home Demonstration Club will meet at 5:30 P. M. at the home of Mrs. David Harvey for a picnic supper.

Hollywood Photographers Here

Above: Hollywood pays a visit to Appomattox! Photographers are shown taking pictures at the local National Photo Service plant for a featured "short" entitled "Unusual Occupations." The film will feature the process whereby the Appomattox firm photographs pictures on china, wood, metal, e.c.

DEATHS

WIRT W. AYERS

Mr. Wirt W. Ayers, 60, died at his home near here Friday morning, July 30, after an illness of several months. He was a member of Red Oak Baptist Crurch, where funeral services were held at the graveside at 3 P. M. on Saturday.

He was born in Buckingham County February 22, 1888, and was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Ayers.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Reva Elizabeth Ayers; a son and a daughter, William Irving Ayers, and Mrs. Lula Ayers Burge, both of Appomattox.

Funeral services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Geo. H. Hughes, and music was offered by the church choir. The following acted as pallbearers: Carlton Marsh, Harry Lacado, Terry Rogers, Berkley Rogers, Harold Rogers and Alfred Marsh.

GOVERNMENT FORESEES INCREASE IN NITROGEN

Supplies of nitrogenous fertilizer to be available to farmers in the United States for the year July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949, are expected to be about 10 per cent greater than the record quantity used in the season just ended, according to an announcement by L. B. Dietrick, Director of the Agricultural Extension Service.

Basing his statement on a USDA report, Director Dietrick said a total of 902,000 short tons of fertilizer will probably be available this year in all forms, compared with 817,000 tons last year.

Three developments, Dietrick explained, contribute to the gain. First will be an increase of about 26,500 tons in private domestic production and imports. Small increases of imports are scheduled from Chile, Canada and Norway.

The other two developments for increasing the supply follow Congressional actions dealing with Army production at U. S. Government plants. One of these provides that 10 per cent of the anhydrous ammonia productced as such plants should be turned over to commercial plants for conversiin to fertilizes for domestic use. This will amount to about 28,000 tons of nitrogen. The other provides that 50 per cent of the 1948-49 U. S. export program for nitrogen fertilizer shall be made up of Army production.

Allies confer on next step in the Berlin crisis.

Flash flood drowns two in Giles County.

Group of U. S. jet fighters arrive in Scotland.

Congress may impose cu on installment buying.

Old Harwood Home Place Near Hixburg Now Occupied

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harwood are moving into their new house this week. The building, near Hixburg, was constructed on a ranch house style, and is equipped with modern conveniences.

The original house, which is still in use, is one of the oldest buildings in Appomattox County. Bricks that form part of the two chimneys, are supposed to have been brought from England as ship ballast.

Many years before the War Be-tween the States (1861-65) Capt. William Mathews gave the house and surrounding farm to Mr. Edward Sears, his son-in-law. At that time the farm was a part of Prince Edward County.

Later, Mr. John W. Harwood, of Henmark Hall, London, England, bought the place, and it has been owned by the Harwood's ever since.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harwood moved back from Gloversville, New York, and the people of Pamplin and Hixburg are delighted to have them in the neighborhood.

Report on Convention of National Education Ass'n.

A four-pronged drive to raise the standards of public school education throughout the United States was made at the 86th annual meeting of the National Education Association, according to Mrs. W. M. Morris, of Appomattox, who has returned from the convention attended by 2,700 delegates at Cleveland, Ohio. Higher standards for teachers and administrators, smaller class sizes, salaries adequate to attract and keep competent teachers, and better housing for schools are the goals laid down.

The resolutions committee recommended a bachelor's degree as the minimum qualification for all teachers with an in-service educational requirement for additional work toward a master's degree or its equivalent; a halt to the issuance of emergency teaching certificates; reciprocity between states in such matters as certification and retirement; and minimum salaries with adequate annual increments "which recognize the services and responsibilities of the teacher and compensate for thorough professional training, extended graduate study, and years of experience."

Mrs Mabel Studebaker, biology teacher in Strong Vincent High School, Erie, Pa., and a former president of the Department of Classroom Teachers, was elected to the NEA presidency, succeeding Glenn S. Snow, head of the Dixie Junior College, St. George, Utah.

In his keynote address, Snow told delegates that the public must be made to realize that the costs of schools are a legitimate and necessary part of the business of government at all levels and that to consistutes the most foolish and dangerous penny-pinching in which a democratic free country can indulge."

James F. O'Neil, American Legion National Commander, told the assembly: "The American Legion stands four-square behind proposed legislation to extend Federal financial support to schools ... I favor that Congress be recalled into session this summer to take up and pass legislation for federal aid to schools ... The need for this is immediate and imperative."

The NEA sent telegrams to President Truman and Governor Thomas E. Dewey inviting them to present to the nation's teachers their views on federal aid without federal control to assist the states in financing public elementary and public secondary schools. No reply was received from Governor Dewey. President Truman wired the convention: "...I have consistently advocated federal aid to education and included 300 million dollars for this purpose in my latest budget ... It is my earnest hope that the federal government will soon accept its proper role in this crucial field."

SWINE SALES SCHEDULED

The schedule for a series of summer swine sales has been announced by C. C. Herring, animal husbandman for the Extension Service, and secretary of the Virginia Purebred Swine Breeders' Association, the sponsoring agency.

The series will beginat Suffolk, August 4, with a total of 78 head consigned. Forty-six will be sold at Winchester August 6, and 42 head will be sold at Bristol August 10.

Breeders from Frederick, Shenandoah, Fauquier, Rockingham, Augusta, Rockbridge, Orange, Appomattox, Norfolk, Southampton, Isle of Wight, Dinwiddie, Wythe and Washington Counties are the consignors.

Herring said that the sales, which began in 1940, have been valuable in wide distribution of purebred hogs, and in improvement of the commercial stock in Virginia.

Southerners win State fight on poll tax issue.

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Results of Election

For U. S. Senate

Precincts	Hart	Robertson
Court House	20	440
Cheatwood	2	14
Chap	4	46
Clover Hill	8	115
Pamplin	5	124
Walkers Church	—	26
Rocks	3	36
Oakville	—	98
Apve	6	84
Stonewall	3	115
Totals	49	1084

With a vote comparing favorably with that of larger counties and many cities, Appomattox County gave a top-heavy majority in the Democratic primary election to A. Willis Robertson in his successful bid for renomination to the United States Senate.

The county vote was 1084 for Senator Robertson, to 49 for his opponent, James P. Hart, Jr., of Roanoke.

Town Health Law Adopted

At a meeting of the Appomattox town council Monday night, an ordinance paralelling the recently adopted county health and sanitation ordinance was passed.

Plans were also made for a sidewalk along Route 460 from the Church St. corner by the new Appomattox Garment Co. building.

Two Attend School Meeting

Mrs. W. M. Morris, president of the Appomattox Teachers Association announces that Mrs. Charles F. P. Crawley and Mrs. J. C. Caldwell are attending a conference on "The Public and the Public School" at Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, today through Friday. Among the speakers will be State Senators Charles T. Moses and John Battle, Mayor Howard Edwards of Richmond, Mrs. J. L. Buck and Dr. Fred Alexandria.

BEAR CATS BALL GAME

The Appomattor Bear Cats will play South Boston there Saturday and will play the Victoria Bears here Sunday at 3 P.M., at the Lee Theatre park. The Bear Cats won both of their games during last week-end.

Loan Rates On Tobacco

Loan rates averaging 43.9 cents per pound have been established to support prices for the 1948 crop of flue-cured tobacco, according to John T. Hunter, chairman of the Appomattox County Agricultural Conservation Committee. This compares with a national average loan rate 40 cents per pound on the 1947 flue-cured crop.

Price support programs have also been announced for the 1948 tobacco crops of burley, Virginia sun-cured, Maryland, cigar filler (type 41), and cigar filler and binder (including Puerto Rican), at 90 per cent of the September 15 parity for fire-cured at 75 per cent of the burley rate; and for dark air-cured at 66 2-3 per cent of the burley rate. Rates in cents per pound for these types of tobacco will be announced in October.

Since 1947, when the tobacco programs were started by the Commodity Credit Corporation, over 2 billion pounds of tobacco valued at more than $900 million have been either put under loan by growers or purchased by CCC. Reports are that loans are being redeemed at a satisfactory rate, and that prospects are good for disposing of the remaining inventory without loss.

Phone 30 with Personals.

County Schools Will Open On September 10

Supt. of Schools this week issued the following information on the opening of Appomattox County public schools:

"Opening date of both white and colored schools: Friday, September 10, 1948, 9:00 A. M.

"Age of entrance: A child entering school for the first time must be six years of age on or before September 30, 1948. This law was passed at the last session of the General Assembly of Virginia and is uniform throughough the State.

"Physical requirements of child entering school: Parents are asked to see that the child is in as good physical condition as possible before entering school. It is especially desirable that the beginner be examined before entering and present the usual medical and dental examiner's card. The pupil should bring a birth certificate on the first day of school and show a successful vaccination against smallpox, or furnish a statement from a doctor as to why vaccination is not desirable. This is required under State law. A pupil who does not meet these requirements may not be enrolled in school until requirements are met.

"School attendance law: Able bodied children between the age of seven and sixteen years are required by State law to attend school throughout the entire session. Public cooperation in the securing out of this law is urgently requested.

"What school to attend: Pupils should attend the school nearest them. School bus drivers are not permitted to take children past the school which they should attend. This is absolutely necessary to avoid crowded conditions in the various schools and busses.

"It is very important that all pupils attend on the first day of school, otherwise they may be handicapped in getting properly assigned to the various rooms and teachers and delayed in purchasing textbooks.

"School calendar:

"County teachers' meeting in Appomattox and Carver Schools, on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 7 and 8, beginning at 9:30 A. M.

"Teachers working all day in individual schools, September 9.

"Opening of schools, September 10.

"Total teaching days, 189.

"Richmond meeting: Meeting of Virginia Teachers' Association and Virginia Education Association in Richmond, October 29.

"Thanksgiving holidays: Begin at closing time of school, Wednesday November 24, giving Thursday and Friday as holidays; end at the regular opening time of school on Monday, November 29.

"Christmas holidays: Begin at closing time of school, Wednesday December 22; end at regular opening time of school, Monday, January 3, 1949.

"Easter holidays: Begin at closing time of school Thursday, April 14; end at opening time of school Tuesday, April 19.

"Closing date of schools: Monday, June 6, 1949."

"STATE TREE FARMS"

Benefits of a sound woodlands program were brought home to more than 200 persons last Thursday when 4,000 acres of timberland owned by the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company were certified as State Tree Farms.

At a ceremony held on the 3,307 acre Massie tract,seven miles north east of Clifton Forge, Va., the paper company pledged itself to a continuing program of forest management in an effort to help assure fully stocked stands of timber for Virginia in future years.

The Massie tract, which has been under company management for 28 years, and two other company-owned tracts in Buckingham County, near Dillwyn, Va., and in Nottoway County, near Crewe, Va., were designated as Tree Farms at the ceremony.